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1. VICE FM SHINYONG LHO CALLED EMBASSY PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE TO INFORM ME THAT, AFTER LENGTHY MEETINGS WITH MINISTER OF STATE DUDLEY THOMPSON AND MEA PERMSEC GORDON WELLS, HE FELT HE HAD A FAIRLY FIRM ASSURANCE THAT GOJ WOULD VOTE AGAINST ADMISSION OF BOTH ROK AND DPRK INTO NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT AT LIMA MEETING.

2. ON KOREAN ITEM AT UN, LHO SAID HE THOUGHT HE HAD BEEN LESS SUCCESSFUL IN NAILING DOWN GOJ POSITION DESPITE "CLEAR AND STRONG PRESENTATION" OF ROK CASE. THOMPSON PROFESSED GENERAL IGNORANCE OF ISSUE TO HIM, BUT PROMISED "FAIR AND EVENHANDED" GOJ POSITION, WHICH LHO INTERPRETED AS IMPLIED GOJ ABSTENTION ON ALL KOREAN ITEM RESOLUTIONS.

3. LHO CONCLUDED CALL WITH EXPRESSION THANKS FOR EMBASSY
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ASSISTANCE AND REQUEST THAT I TAKE APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY

TO REINFORCE ROK POSITION BEFORE LIMA MEETING. HE WAS ASSURED THAT I WOULD DO SO IN MY NEXT MEETING WITH THOMPSON.

4. WHEN I MET WITH LHO JUNE 10 TO BRIEF HIM ON LOCAL SCENE, HE SAID HE HAD BEEN MOST ENCOURAGED BY HIS LATIN AMERICAN SWING, HAVING OBTAINED ARGENTINE SUPPORT FOR THE ROK POSITION, AND A COMMITMENT FROM THE PERUVIAN FM THAT PERU WOULD VOTE AGAIN ROK AND DPRK ADMISSION INTO THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT.

5. DURING JUNE 10 SESSION LHO DEVOTED CONSIDERABLE TIME TO REASSURING ME OF RELIABILITY AND SELF-RELIANCE OF ROK, IN SPITE OF ROK DEFICIENCY OF AIRCRAFT AND SUBMARINES RELATIVE TO DPRK, AND ABILITY OF ROK TO "TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES" ESPECIALLY IF USG PROVIDED MORE TXOMBAT AIRCRAFT AND PROTECTED HER FLANKS AT SEA. HE ALSO STRESSED IN RESPONSE TO MY EXPRESSION OF CONCERN THAT ACCUSATIONS OF INFRINGEMENTS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN ROK MUST BE UNDERSTOOD AND INTERPRETED WITHIN CONTEXT OF DPRK THREAT.
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